



## Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea

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### Free Guided Gallery Tour March 9 at Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea

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**BEREA, Ky.** – The Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea will offer visitors free guided gallery tours through the center's current special exhibit, "The Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea: Celebrating 10 Years," on Saturday, March 9, at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

This exhibit recognizes the works of 52 Kentucky artisans who have exhibited and sold their works at the Center since it opened in July 2003. The year 2013 marks the Center's 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary year with this special exhibition. This celebratory exhibit includes all mediums, from wooden toys to silk clothing, painted gourds, ceramics, folk art, photographs, jewelry, baskets, weavings, turned wood and more.

These free guided exhibit tours will be led by Kentucky Artisan Center staff who will talk about the exhibit, the artists and individual works. Staff will answer questions about the techniques and various processes used in the objects featured. This tour will be given at 11 a.m. and again at 2 p.m.

Also March 9, Melissa Oesch, of Lexington, will be giving a demonstration of recycled bookbinding from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the center.

The Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea is located at 200 Artisan Way, just off Interstate 75 at Berea, Exit 77. The center's exhibits, shopping and travel information areas are open daily from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., with the cafe open from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Admission is free.

The center currently features works by more than 650 artisans from more than 100 counties across the Commonwealth. For information about the center's programming, call 859-985-5448, visit us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/kentucky.artisan.center](http://www.facebook.com/kentucky.artisan.center), or go to the center's website at [www.kentuckyartisancenter.ky.gov](http://www.kentuckyartisancenter.ky.gov).

The Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea is an agency in the Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.



**Photos, left to right:** "Jewel of the Falls" by John Snell; "Kentucky Agate 3/4 Bracelet" by Rachel Savane; "Tea and Horses" by David Waltz in the exhibit "Celebrating 10 Years" at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea